**Blog Log on non-fiction writing**

Instructions: you must read a minimum of four articles/and or essays from the various links on the English 12 main page. You must post to your blog the following:

1. A title that reflects the content of your post
2. The ***working link*** to the article you read on the blog post
3. A small paragraph (5 – 8 sentences) written in the blog post on the article that addresses the following:
	1. What interested you about the content? (topic, subject area etc.)
	2. What did you like about the author’s style of writing? ***Give examples***. (humorous, sad, insightful, descriptive, ironic, rich vocabulary, imagery, rhetoric (repetition, hyperbole, satire, parallel structure etc.)
	3. What connections did you make between the article and…. life, the literature you have read, course literature, movies, TV shows, the news, etc. In other words, what aspect of the human condition did the article address?
	4. Use the following verbs when writing about texts (fiction and non-fiction): illustrates, demonstrates, explains, reveals, describes, depicts, expresses, conveys, establishes, portrays, represents, characterizes, suggests, indicates, signifies, proves, clarifies, exemplifies
4. Each article/response will be its own post. Categorize it as English 12. Tag each post as Bloglogone12 – Bloglogtwo12 and so on….. **(IMPORTANT)**
5. You should choose from a variety of articles.
6. Each post is worth 5 marks for a total of 20 formative assessment marks.
7. Each due date for the blogs will be posted, but it works out to roughly one a month – two by midterm and two by the end of term. Nothing is stopping you, however, from getting one read, written about and posted right away.
8. Here are the criteria for assessment:

**Journal and/or blog entries criteria** Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

High investment in one’s writing looks like… (A+, A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, C-)

* Seeing the relationship between form, structure, style (how) and content (what)
* Constructing new meaning from what you have read
* Drawing upon the material to make creative and insightful points
* Using references (text to world, self, text) to support the writer’s thoughts
* Establishing a personal ‘voice’ in your writing through word choice and style
* Following instructions